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Applicant: William F. AFTOORA

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For: LIQUEFIED WATER SOLUBLE ACIDITY-REDUCING FORMULATION FOR FOOD AND BEVERAGE PRODUCTS

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

**RESPONSE B**

Dear Sir:

Applicant, through his attorney, hereby respectfully responds to the Examiner's Office Action mailed on June 6, 2002.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please replace pending claims 11, 13 and 29 with amended claims 11, 13 and 29 as follows:

11. (amended) A liquefied soluble acidity reducing formulation consisting essentially of about 15% to about 20% by weight of an edible bicarbonate, a soluble binder, water and optionally a preservative, wherein the formulation substantially excludes acidulent components, and wherein the weight of the edible bicarbonate is based on the weight of the edible bicarbonate, soluble binder and water.

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